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99-00825

Re: Petition of Kentucky Utilities Company for Approval to Execute a Cross-Boarder Lease for Two 164 Mega Watt Combustion Turbines

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed you will find the original and thirteen (13) copies of the Petition of Kentucky Utilities Company for approval pursuant to T.C.A. §65-4-109 to execute a cross-boarder lease for two 164 mega watt combustion turbines and a check for \$25 for the filing fee.

This transaction involves an international sale and leaseback transaction which is being entered into for the sole purpose of sharing tax benefits available under the laws of certain European countries. Petitioner, Kentucky Utilities Company, believes that the transaction does not require TRA approval. However, because time is of the essence with respect to determining whether the TRA asserts jurisdiction over this matter, Kentucky Utilities Company is filing this Petition for approval of the transaction and in the alternative requesting a declaratory order indicating that the transaction does not require TRA approval.

The Petitioner respectfully requests that this matter be placed on the Authority's Conference docket no later than November 16, 1999.

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Please contact me or the parties listed in the Petition if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Billye Sanders". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

D. Billye Sanders

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cc: Ronald L Willhite
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**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**IN RE: PETITION OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY FOR
 APPROVAL TO EXECUTE A CROSS-BORDER LEASE FOR
 TWO 164 MEGAWATT COMBUSTION TURBINES**

DOCKET NO. 99-00825

PETITION

Kentucky Utilities Company (“Petitioner”), pursuant to T.C.A. §65-4-109¹, hereby petitions for an order approving Petitioner’s execution of a lease² of two 164 megawatt combustion turbines at Petitioner’s E. W. Brown Generating Station in Mercer County, Kentucky pursuant to a sale and leaseback transaction, or in the alternative a declaratory order pursuant to T.C.A. §65-2-104 stating that the transaction does not require Tennessee Regulatory Authority (“TRA”) approval.

The sole purpose of the proposed transaction is to share in tax benefits available under the laws of certain European countries. By engaging in the transaction, Petitioner will realize an immediate benefit by receiving a payment

¹ T.C.A. 65-4-109 provides: No public utility shall issue any stocks, stock certificates, bonds, debentures, or other evidences of indebtedness payable in more than one (1) year from the date thereof, until it shall have first obtained authority from the authority for such proposed issue. It shall be the duty of the authority after hearing to approve any such proposed issue maturing more than one (1) year from the date thereof upon being satisfied that the proposed issue, sale and delivery is to be made in accordance with law and the purpose of such be approved by the authority.

² Approval is required pursuant to T.C.A. § 65-4-112 when a public utility leases or sells its property to another public utility. That is not the case in the proposed transaction. Kentucky Utilities Company is the seller/leasee in the proposed transaction. The buyer/lessor in the transaction will not be a public utility as defined in T.C.A. §65-40-101. Therefore TRA approval is not required under T.C.A. §65-4-112.

equal to between 3.5% and 5% of the value of the combustion turbines. The purpose is not to issue any securities or evidences of indebtedness or to raise capital for, or to otherwise finance the acquisition of, the combustion turbines. The proposed sale and leaseback transaction will be treated as a financing for U.S. financial accounting and federal income tax purposes, however Petitioner's obligation under the financing will be immediately extinguished and the transaction will not result in any debt upon Petitioner's balance sheet (See Section 6.5 of this Petition). Therefore, the Petitioner contends that TRA approval is not required pursuant to T.C.A. §65-4-109 since any obligation incurred will be for less than one year.

Notwithstanding its contention that the proposed transaction does not require TRA approval, the Petitioner is filing this Petition in order to expedite action on its Petition should the TRA assert jurisdiction over the transaction.

1. DESCRIPTION OF PETITIONER AND ACTIVITIES WITHIN TENNESSEE. Petitioner is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealths of Kentucky and Virginia and is an electric utility engaged in the business thereof primarily in Kentucky and Virginia. Petitioner also serves approximately five customers in Tennessee all of whom are located in Claiborne county, and its electric utility property located in Tennessee consists of approximately seven and one-half pole miles of electric lines and one distribution substation, all of which property has a total net book value of approximately

\$30,024. Revenues from such customers during the year 1998 were \$2,836 (less than 1/10th of 1% of Petitioner's total operating revenues).

2. CONTACT ADDRESS. The name, address and telephone number of the person authorized to receive notices and communications in respect to this Petition is as follows:

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3. **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.** A copy of Petitioner's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation and all Amendments thereto are attached hereto as Exhibit I.

4. **INITIAL ACQUISITION OF CTs.** In October 1998, LG&E Capital Corp., an unregulated affiliate of Petitioner ("Capital Corp.") purchased two 164 megawatt combustion turbines (the "CTs") from Asea Brown Boveri and construction began on the two units at Petitioner's E.W. Brown generating station in Mercer County, Kentucky (the "Brown Facility"). The CTs are the fifth and sixth CT units at the Brown Facility.

On February 11, 1999, Petitioner and Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") a regulated affiliate of Petitioner, not subject to TRA jurisdiction, filed their application with the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("KPSC") for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the acquisition of the CTs from Capital Corp. (the "CCN Application"). Petitioner and LG&E subsequently amended their application to include a request for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility.

On July 23, 1999, the KPSC issued an Order in Case No. 99-056 granting LG&E and Petitioner a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility for the acquisition of the CTs from Capital Corp. The two CTs were accepted for commercial operation effective August 8, 1999 and August 11, 1999 respectively. By Bill of Sale effective July 23, 1999, Capital Corp. transferred title to the CTs to LG&E Energy Corp. ("LG&E Energy"),

the unregulated parent corporation of Capital Corp., Petitioner and LG&E. By Bill of Sale effective July 23, 1999, LG&E Energy transferred a 38% interest in the CTs to LG&E and a 62% interest in the CTs to Petitioner.

5. **PURCHASE PRICE OF CTs.** LG&E and Petitioner acquired their interests in the fully installed and operational CTs from LG&E Energy for the actual book cost of those units of \$121,761,000, which was incurred by LG&E and Petitioner in proportion to their respective 38% and 62% ownership interests. LG&E and Petitioner will record these costs in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts.

6. **PROPOSED SALE AND LEASEBACK.** The proposed transaction involves three steps. All three steps will occur either simultaneously or in immediate succession. The Petitioner and LG&E propose to first transfer legal title to their interests in the CTs to a resident of either Sweden, Finland, Germany, or Switzerland (the "Lessor"). Next, simultaneous with the transfer or immediately thereafter, the Petitioner and LG&E will lease the CTs back from the Lessor for a maximum term of 10 to 18 years. Third, simultaneous with the transfer and leaseback or immediately thereafter, the Petitioner and LG&E will defease their obligations under the lease in the manner described below in Section 6.3.

Petitioner and LG&E will receive an up-front payment from the Lessor of \$4 million to \$7 million for engaging in the proposed transaction. This payment constitutes the gross benefit to the Petitioner and LG&E from engaging in the

transaction and results from the monetization of the tax benefits available to the Lessor in its home country. Because the lease will be defeased, Petitioner will receive this payment without any continuing scheduled obligations for future payments under the lease. Any contingent obligations under the lease will be assumed by LG&E Energy. Because there is no continuing obligation on the part of Petitioner, Petitioner believes the obligation falls outside the scope of long term debt contemplated by the approval requirements of T.C.A. §65-4-109.

Each of these steps is reviewed below. Whether the ultimate lessor is a resident of Sweden, Finland, Germany or Switzerland, the net result of the proposed transaction will be substantially the same. Graphical depictions of the proposed transaction with either a Swedish or a German lessor are attached to this Petition as Exhibits II and III respectively. If the proposed transaction is executed with a Finnish or Swiss lessor, the transaction will conform to those depicted in Exhibits II and III respectively.

6.1 Nominal transfer of CTs. Petitioner and LG&E propose transferring legal title to the CTs to the Lessor in return for a payment equal to the value of the CTs, but no less than \$125 million (the "Transaction Price"). Upon payment of the Transaction Price, the Petitioner and LG&E will issue a bill of sale to the Lessor.

The Petitioner anticipates that the Lessor will finance the Transaction Price with a small equity payment and the proceeds of a non-recourse loan. The

amount of this loan to the Lessor is primarily a function of the tax laws of the Lessor's country of residence. The Petitioner anticipates that a Swedish or Finnish Lessor will borrow all of the Transaction Price except for the up-front benefit paid to the Companies, while a German or Swiss Lessor would, in accordance with German and Swiss tax law, also provide cash equity of approximately 10% of the Transaction Price. In no event will the amount of the loan to the Lessor or, in a German or Swiss lease, the Lessor's equity, be secured by the CTs.

6.2 Leaseback. Simultaneous with the transfer of title to the CTs to the Lessor or immediately thereafter, the Lessor and the Petitioner and LG&E will execute a lease (the "Lease") whereby Petitioner and LG&E will leaseback from the Lessor the CTs for a maximum Lease term of 10 to 18 years. The Lease will provide for semi-annual rent payments over the Lease term (the "Basic Rent Payments"). The obligation to pay the Basic Rent Payments will be assumed by the defeasance bank in the manner described below in Section 6.3.

The Lease will contain routine indemnifications generally relating to third-party claims made against the Lessor with respect to the operation of the CTs. Petitioner and LG&E will be responsible for all costs of operation, maintenance, insurance, taxes and other costs incident to the ownership, use or operation of the CTs.

The terms of the Lease will be such as to assure that title to the CTs will be returned to the Petitioner and LG&E at the end of the Lease term, or in the

event of an early termination of the Lease, be transferred to Petitioner and LG&E for a fixed price. Title to the CTs will revert to the Petitioner and LG&E at the end of the natural Lease term. In the case of a purchase option, title will be transferred to the Petitioner and LG&E upon payment of a predetermined fixed amount (the "Option Price"). The obligation to pay the Option Price will be assumed by the defeasance bank in the manner described below in Section 6.3.

Where the right to obtain a return of title at the end of the Lease term depends upon the giving of notice, such as a purchase option notice, Petitioner and LG&E will, at the inception of the transaction, contract with a third party, such as the defeasance bank described below, to deliver such notice. Petitioner and LG&E will execute a written notice exercising their purchase option and deposit that notice with the third party.

The Lease will also provide for early termination, and the return of title to Petitioner and LG&E, contingent upon the occurrence of certain predetermined events. The possibility that any of these events will occur is remote. In the unlikely event that an early termination occurs or that the CTs are lost or destroyed as the result of a casualty, title to the CTs will revert to Petitioner and LG&E upon the payment of a pre-determined fixed amount (the "Termination Payment").

The Termination Payment required in the event of an early termination of the lease or in the unlikely event that the CTs are destroyed or

otherwise damaged by casualty and not repaired or replaced will be equal to the sum of (1) the outstanding balance of the Lessor's debt at the time of termination of the Lease (the "Base Amount Termination Payment") and (2) a fixed amount that returns to the Lessor its transaction costs and an amount equal to its yield on the transaction to the date of termination. Under a German or Swiss Lease this amount will generally include the portion of the Lessor's equity in the CTs not transferred to Petitioner and LG&E as part of their up-front benefit and a small return thereon (the "G/S Equity Termination Payment"). The obligation to pay the Termination Payment will be assumed by the defeasance bank and LG&E Energy in the manner described below in Section 6.3.

When Petitioner and LG&E's obligations are defeased through a third-party bank and LG&E Energy at the inception of the transaction, Petitioner and LG&E will satisfy the Basic Rent Payments, the Option Price (if any), the Termination Payment (including the G/S Equity Termination Payment) and any remaining contingent payment obligations. The defeasance is discussed in detail below.

During the Lease term, the Lessor will be prohibited from conveying title to the CTs to any person other than Petitioner and LG&E and from subjecting the CTs to a lien. The Lease will prohibit the Lessor, without the prior written consent of Petitioner and LG&E, from assigning any of its rights, title, and interest in the Lease or the CTs. Petitioner and LG&E will have a right of quiet enjoyment to the use and possession of the CTs during the Lease term.

6.3 Defeasance of Petitioner and LG&E's Lease Obligations. Upon execution of the Lease, Petitioner and LG&E will defease their obligations to pay the scheduled and contingent obligations under the Lease. Petitioner and LG&E will be primarily liable for the ordinary operating and maintenance expenses that Petitioner and LG&E would otherwise be obligated to pay if they had not entered into the transaction.

6.3.1 Bank/Affiliate of Lessor. Petitioner and LG&E will defease the obligations under the Lease with respect to the Basic Rent Payments, the Option Price (if any) and the Base Amount Termination Payment through payments to an affiliate of the Lessor or of the Lessor's lender. These obligations will be irrevocably and unconditionally assumed by a third party. The Lessor will release Petitioner and LG&E from these payment obligations.

In consideration for and at the time of this assumption, Petitioner and LG&E will deposit the present value of their payment obligations with the third party. This deposit will be equal to between 95% and 96.5% of the Transaction Price.

6.3.2 LG&E Energy. LG&E Energy will irrevocably and unconditionally assume and agree to pay the obligations under the Lease with respect to contingent obligations of Petitioner and LG&E except for ordinary operating and maintenance expenses of the CTs that would be borne by Petitioner and LG&E in the absence of the Lease. These assumed contingent obligations would

include, for example, termination payments or, under a Swedish or Finnish Lease, unanticipated changes in the laws of the Lessor's country of residence. Under a German or Swiss Lease, LG&E Energy also will assume and agree to pay the obligations under the Lease with respect to the G/S Equity Termination Payment. Through arrangements with the Lessor's lender and Lessor, LG&E Energy will assume primary liability for these obligations.

In consideration for and at the time of this assumption, Petitioner and LG&E will pay a fee to LG&E Energy equal to 0.21% of the present value of these assumed obligations.

6.4 Effect of the Defeasance on Petitioner and LG&E. Following the defeasance of the payment obligations under the Lease, Petitioner and LG&E could only be in default under the Lease if they failed to (1) make indemnity payments (generally relating to third-party claims against the Lessor with respect to the operation of the CTs), (2) carry insurance as required by the Lease, or (3) perform or observe any other covenant or agreement under the Lease resulting in a material diminution in the value of the CTs, if unremedied after notice. In the event of a default, the defeasance bank and LG&E Energy would make the Termination Payment to the Lessor. The Lease will contain provisions ensuring that title to the CTs reverts to Petitioner and LG&E in this event.

6.5 Financial Accounting and Income Tax Treatment. The purpose of the proposed sale and leaseback is not to issue any securities or evidences of

indebtedness to raise capital for the acquisition or to otherwise finance the acquisition of the combustion turbines. Nevertheless, the proposed sale and leaseback transaction will be treated as a financing for U.S. financial accounting and federal income tax purposes. The execution of the Lease and the immediate defeasance of the payments thereunder will be treated as the issuance of a note and the immediate extinguishment of Petitioner and LG&E's obligations under that note. Because the note is immediately extinguished, the transaction will not result in debt upon Petitioner and LG&E' respective balance sheets. Petitioner and LG&E will remain at all times the owners of the CTs for federal income tax and U.S. commercial law purposes.

7. **KENTUCKY TAX RULING.** Petitioner and LG&E will require a written determination by the Kentucky Revenue Cabinet that the proposed transaction will be treated favorably under the Kentucky sales and use taxes.

8. **BENEFIT.** The benefit to Petitioner from the execution of the Lease pursuant to the proposed sale and leaseback transaction is that Petitioner and LG&E (1) will receive a gross up-front payment of \$4 million to \$7 million, (2) have possession and all rights of use of the CTs during the Lease term precisely as if they owned the CTs, without any primary obligation to pay the defeased obligations during the Lease term, and (3) have outright ownership thereafter. In order to execute the Lease and engage in the proposed transaction, Petitioner and LG&E will incur expenses of no more than 1.5% of the Transaction Price.

9. **BASIS FOR THE BENEFIT.** Petitioner's primary benefit from the proposed transaction derives from the tax treatment of the transaction under the laws of the Lessor's country of residence. The Lease will be treated as an operating or true lease under those tax laws; the Lessor will be treated as the tax owner of the CTs and, therefore, will be entitled to depreciation deductions with respect to the CTs. These depreciation deductions will be available to offset other taxable income of the Lessor, thereby lowering the Lessor's ultimate tax liability in its country of residence. In consideration of these tax benefits, the present value of the payments required under the Lease will be lower than the sale price. While Petitioner and LG&E effectively will transfer legal title to the CTs to the Lessor for the Transaction Price, the present value of the payments under the Lease (the rental payments and any amount that Petitioner and LG&E must pay at the end of the Lease Term to reacquire title) will be \$4 million to \$7 million less than the Transaction Price. Petitioner and LG&E will retain the difference between these amounts (\$4 million to \$7 million) after their obligations under the Lease are defeased as consideration for entering into the transaction.

10. **PARAMETERS OF THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION/
OFFERING MEMORANDA.**

Petitioner and LG&E have circulated separate Offering Memoranda to potential Swedish and German lessors. The transactions offered in those Memoranda are substantially similar. Although the structure of a Lease with a lessor in each respective country would be slightly different, the effect on Petitioner

and LG&E of either a German, Swiss, Finnish or Swedish sale and leaseback will be substantially the same.

If the TRA determines that it has jurisdiction pursuant to T.C.A. §64-5-109, Petitioner requests that the TRA approve the execution of a Lease pursuant to a sale and leaseback transaction under the terms of the Memoranda where (1) Petitioner and LG&E will receive a gross up-front payment of no less than 3.5% and no more than 5% of the Transaction Price; (2) Petitioner and LG&E will incur expenses no greater than 1.5% of the Transaction Price; and (3) the Lease will have a maximum term, including extensions, of 18 years.

10.1 Swedish Confidential Offering Memorandum. Petitioner and LG&E have circulated a Confidential Equity Offering Memorandum (the “Swedish Memorandum”) seeking Swedish participants for the proposed sale and leaseback transaction. A copy of the Swedish Memorandum is attached as confidential Exhibit IV to the Petition and is hereby incorporated by reference. Exhibit IV is filed under seal and petitioner hereby requests that the TRA treat the materials contained in the Swedish Memorandum as confidential and not disclose such information to the public without an opportunity for Petitioner to further protect the information from disclosure by confidentiality agreement and/or a protective order. The Swedish Memorandum outlines one variation of a sale and leaseback transaction with a Swedish lessor. If the proposed sale and leaseback transaction is consummated with a Swedish lessor, Petitioner anticipates that the transaction will follow generally the terms outlined in the Swedish Memorandum.

10.2 German Confidential Offering Memorandum. Petitioner and LG&E also have circulated a Confidential Equity Offering Memorandum (the “German Memorandum”) seeking German participants for the proposed sale and leaseback transaction. A copy of the German Memorandum is attached as confidential Exhibit V to the Petition and is hereby incorporated by reference. Exhibit V is filed under seal and Petitioner requests that the TRA treat the materials contained in the German Memorandum as confidential in the same manner as requested for Exhibit IV. The German Memorandum outlines one variation of a sale and leaseback transaction with a German lessor. If the proposed sale and leaseback transaction is consummated with a German lessor, Petitioner anticipates that the transaction will follow generally the terms outlined in the German Memorandum.

11. EFFECT ON CUSTOMERS. The proposed transaction itself will have no direct effect on customers. Engaging in the proposed transaction will benefit customers because it will reduce future financing needs and increase the financial strength of Petitioner. Petitioner and LG&E will operate the CTs before, during and after the Lease term. Petitioner and LG&E will reacquire title to the CTs at the end of the Lease term through arrangements built into the transaction. If these arrangements include a purchase option, the option will be irrevocably exercised immediately after the Lease is executed. Because all obligations under the Lease will be defeased, customers will not bear any risk related to the

transaction. The proposed transaction will have no direct or indirect effect on quality of service or Petitioner's ability to satisfy customer demand.

12. **FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.** Exhibit VI to this Petition contains financial information regarding the Petitioner.

CONCLUSION

The foregoing transaction does not require TRA approval because no long term debt is being issued by Petitioner. However, should the TRA determine otherwise, the Petition should be approved, because the transaction will benefit the Petitioner financially and benefit customers by reducing Petitioner's future financing needs.

WHEREFORE, Kentucky Utilities Company requests that the Tennessee Regulatory Authority issue an Order (1) approving Kentucky Utilities Company authority to execute a lease of two 164 megawatt combustion turbines at Kentucky Utilities Company's E.W. Brown Generating Station in Mercer County, Kentucky pursuant to a sale and leaseback transaction conforming to the parameters outlined in this Petition; or in the alternative, (2) declaring that the sale and leaseback transaction described in this Petition does not require TRA approval; and (3) granting such other relief as may be deemed appropriate.

Petitioner respectfully requests final action on this Petition by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority as soon as possible, but in any event no later than November 16, 1999.

Dated at Louisville, Kentucky, effective as of the 25th day of October, 1999.

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ATTESTATION

Under the penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the facts presented in this statement and any accompanying information and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct and complete.



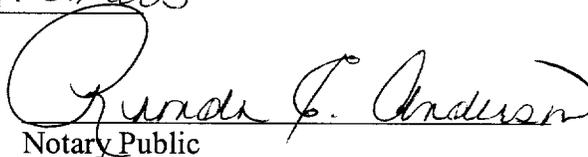
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Treasurer
Kentucky Utilities Company

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, SS:

The foregoing Application and Attestation was acknowledged, subscribed and sworn to before me on October 25th, 1999, by Charles A. Markel, III, as Treasurer of Kentucky Utilities Company, to be his free act and voluntary deed on behalf of the corporations.

My Commission Expires: Aug. 31, 2003



Notary Public

(SEAL)

List of Exhibits

- Exhibit I Petitioner's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation
- Exhibit II Graphical depiction of proposed transaction with a Swedish lessor
- Exhibit III Graphical depiction of proposed transaction with a German lessor
- Exhibit IV **Confidential** Swedish Memorandum
- Exhibit V **Confidential** German Memorandum
- Exhibit VI Financial Information regarding the Petitioner

Exhibit I

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SECRETARY OF STATE
COMM. OF KENTUCKY
BY *Charles Perry*

AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY

October, 1992

AMENDED AND RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
Kentucky Utilities Company

The undersigned, KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY, a Kentucky corporation and a Virginia corporation (the "corporation"), by John T. Newton, its Chairman and President, hereby certifies as follows:

1. The name of the corporation is Kentucky Utilities Company.
2. The following restatement contains no amendment requiring shareholder approval. By resolution duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the corporation at a meeting thereof duly held on October 26, 1992, the following restatement of the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the corporation, as theretofore amended, was adopted.
3. The following Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the corporation (a) set forth all of the operative provisions of the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation, as amended through the date of said meeting of the Board of Directors of the corporation, (b) correctly set forth without change the corresponding provisions of the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation, as so amended, and (c) supersede the original Articles of Incorporation of the corporation and all amendments thereto and restatements thereof through the date of said meeting of the Board of Directors of the corporation.
4. The Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the corporation shall read as follows:

Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation

FIRST: The name of the corporation is KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY.

SECOND: The address of the registered office of the corporation in Kentucky and the name of the resident agent of the corporation at that address are on file with the Kentucky Secretary of State. The address of the registered office of the corporation in Virginia is 5511 Staples Mill Road, Richmond, Virginia 23228. The name of the initial registered agent at that address is Edward R. Parker, who is a resident of Virginia and a member of the Virginia State Bar.

THIRD: The purpose for which the corporation is organized is to engage, directly or through ownership of other corporations, partnerships, joint ventures or other entities, in the transaction of any and all lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under the Kentucky Business Corporation Act, and except as modified by Article Fourth hereof, the Virginia Stock Corporation Act.

FOURTH: In limitation of the foregoing Article Third, the corporation shall, in Virginia, conduct the business of an electric utility as a public service company and it shall have power to conduct, in Virginia, other public service business or non-public service business so far as may be related to or incidental to its stated business as a public service company and in any other state such business as may be authorized or permitted by the laws thereof. Nothing in this Article Fourth shall limit the power of the corporation in respect of the securities of other corporations.

FIFTH: The aggregate number of shares of stock which the corporation shall have authority to issue is Eighty-seven Million Three Hundred Thousand (87,300,000) shares, divided into and consisting of (A) Five Million Three Hundred Thousand (5,300,000) shares of Preferred Stock without par value but with a maximum aggregate stated value of \$200,000,000, issuable in one or more series as hereinafter provided, (B) Two Million (2,000,000) shares of Preference Stock without par value issuable in one or more series as hereinafter provided, and (C) Eighty Million (80,000,000) shares of Common Stock without par value. The 5,300,000 shares of authorized Preferred Stock are hereinafter referred to as the "Preferred Stock" and shall include the 200,000 shares of "4¾% Preferred Stock" and the 200,000 shares of "7.84% Preferred Stock" of the corporation now outstanding.

A description of the respective classes of shares of the corporation, and a statement of the designations, powers, preferences and rights and the qualifications, limitations and restrictions granted to or imposed upon the shares of each class, are as follows:

I. PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE PREFERRED STOCK

(1) The authorized Preferred Stock may be issued in one or more series as hereinafter provided; and the 200,000 shares of 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Preferred Stock now outstanding shall constitute a series of the Preferred Stock and shall be known as the "4 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Preferred Stock (stated value \$100 per share)", the 200,000 shares of 7.84% Preferred Stock now outstanding shall constitute a series of the Preferred Stock and shall be known as the "7.84% Preferred Stock (stated value \$100 per share)". The remainder of the shares of the authorized Preferred Stock, and all shares of the Preferred Stock at any time having the status of authorized and unissued shares of Preferred Stock, may be issued as shares of any series now outstanding or may be issued in one or more other series with such stated values, such rates of dividend (which shall be stated in the designation of the shares of each such series), such redemption price or prices and terms and conditions, and such sinking fund provisions, if any, for the redemption or purchase of shares, determined and fixed by the Board of Directors of the corporation in the manner provided by law, as the Board of Directors shall from time to time authorize. Authority is hereby expressly granted to and vested in the Board of Directors of the corporation, by resolution, to divide any of the authorized and unissued shares of the Preferred Stock into one or more series and to determine and fix the relative rights and preferences of the shares of any such series, the number of shares and the rate of dividend to be borne by the shares of each such series, the price or prices at which, and the terms and conditions on which, shares of each such series may be redeemed, and the sinking fund provisions, if any, for the redemption or purchase of shares of each such series, and to change redeemed or re-acquired shares of any such series into shares of another series, *subject, however*, to such restrictions and limitations as are, or may be, from time to time provided by law or contained in the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation or amendments thereto. The stated value of the share of each series of Preferred Stock shall be fixed by the Board of Directors of the corporation in the resolution establishing such series. Shares of any series of Preferred Stock may not be issued for a consideration less than the aggregate stated value thereof.

All shares of the Preferred Stock, regardless of designation, shall constitute one class of stock, shall be of equal rank and shall confer equal rights on the holders thereof, except only as to the stated values thereof, the rates of dividends thereon, the redemption prices and terms and conditions thereof, and the sinking fund provisions, if any, for the redemption or purchase thereof and except also, but only in respect of the 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Preferred Stock, as otherwise provided in paragraph (11) of this Division I. All shares of the Preferred Stock of the same stated value per share at any time outstanding which bear the same dividend rate shall constitute one series of the Preferred Stock; and all shares of any one series of Preferred Stock shall be alike in all respects.

(2) The holders of the Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, in respect of each share held, dividends upon the stated value thereof at the annual rate specified in the designation of such share, and no more, payable quarter-yearly on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 in each year, or on such other dates in each year as may be fixed by the Board of Directors of the corporation, but only when and as declared by the Board of Directors out of the surplus or net profits of the corporation available for the payment of dividends. Dividends on shares of the Preferred Stock shall be cumulative from and including the date of issue thereof, and shall be paid, or declared and set apart for payment, before any dividends shall be declared or paid on or set apart for the Preference Stock or the Common Stock; so that if for any past dividend period or the then current dividend period dividends on the Preferred Stock shall not have been paid, or declared and set apart for payment, the deficiency shall be fully paid or declared and funds set apart for the payment thereof before any dividends shall be declared or paid on or set apart for the Preference Stock or the Common Stock. No dividend shall at any time be paid on or set apart for any share of the Preferred Stock unless at the same time there shall be paid on

or set apart for all shares of the Preferred Stock then outstanding dividends in such amount that the holders of all shares of the Preferred Stock then outstanding shall receive or have set apart for them a uniform percentage of the full annual dividend to which they are, respectively, entitled. The term "dividend period," as used herein, refers to each period of three consecutive calendar months ending on the day next preceding each date on which dividends, if declared, shall be payable. When full cumulative dividends as aforesaid upon the Preferred Stock then outstanding for all past dividend periods and for the then current dividend period shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment, the Board of Directors may declare dividends on the Preference Stock and the Common Stock of the corporation, subject to any other restrictions contained in the Articles of Incorporation.

In addition to the provisions of the second and fifth sentences of the preceding paragraph of this paragraph (2) with respect to the declaration by the Board of Directors of dividends on the Preference Stock and the Common Stock and the payment of any such dividends, it shall also be a condition precedent to the declaration by the Board of Directors of dividends on the Preference Stock or the Common Stock and the payment of any such dividends that all amounts required to be paid or set aside for any sinking fund for the redemption or purchase of shares of Preferred Stock of any series, with respect to all preceding sinking fund dates or periods, shall have been paid or set aside in accordance with the terms of the shares of such series. No funds shall be paid into or set aside for any sinking fund for the redemption or purchase of shares of Preferred Stock of any series unless all dividends on the Preferred Stock, for all past dividend periods, shall have been fully paid or declared and funds set apart for the payment thereof.

(3) Upon the dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the corporation, the holders of shares of the Preferred Stock shall be entitled, before any amount shall be paid to the holders of shares of the Preference Stock or the Common Stock, to be paid in full out of the net assets of the corporation, (i) the stated value of their shares of Preferred Stock plus an amount equal to the accrued dividends on such shares, if such dissolution, liquidation or winding up shall be involuntary, and (ii) the then current redemption price of their shares of Preferred Stock (accrued dividends thereon to be computed to the date of distribution) if such dissolution, liquidation or winding up shall be voluntary. After such payment in full to the holders of shares of the Preferred Stock, the remaining assets and profits shall be divided among and paid to the holders of shares of the Preference Stock and to the holders of shares of the Common Stock, as hereinafter provided.

(4) The corporation, on the sole authority of its Board of Directors, shall have the right at any time or from time to time to redeem and retire all or any part of the shares of Preferred Stock, or all or any part of the shares of any one or more series of the Preferred Stock, upon and by the payment to the holders of the shares to be redeemed or upon and by depositing as hereinafter provided for the benefit of such holders, the then applicable redemption price of the shares to be redeemed, which (a) in case of the shares of the 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Preferred Stock shall be \$101 per share plus accrued dividends to the date of redemption, (b) in case of the shares of the 7.84% Preferred Stock shall be \$107.38 per share plus accrued dividends to the date of redemption if such date of redemption is on or subsequent to September 1, 1977, and prior to September 1, 1982, \$105.42 per share plus accrued dividends to the date of redemption if such date of redemption is on or subsequent to September 1, 1982, and prior to September 1, 1987, and \$101.50 per share plus accrued dividends to the date of redemption if such date of redemption is on or subsequent to September 1, 1987. It shall be a condition of any redemption pursuant to this paragraph (4) that the corporation shall, not less than thirty (30) days previous to the date fixed for redemption, give notice of the intention of the corporation to redeem such shares, specifying the shares to be redeemed and the date and place of redemption, which notice shall be deposited in a United States post office or mail box at any place in the United States addressed to each holder of record of the shares to be redeemed at his address as the same appears upon the records of the corporation; but in mailing such notice of redemption unintentional omissions or errors in names or addresses shall not impair the validity of such notice. In every case of the redemption of less than all of the outstanding shares of any series of the Preferred Stock, the shares of such series to be redeemed shall be chosen by proration (so far as may be

without resulting in the issuance of fractional shares), by lot or in such other equitable manner as may be prescribed by resolution of the Board of Directors. The corporation may deposit with a bank or trust company, which shall be named in the notice of redemption, shall be located in New York, New York, or in Chicago, Illinois or in Louisville, Kentucky, and shall then have capital, surplus and undivided profits of at least \$1,000,000, the aggregate redemption price of the shares to be redeemed, in trust for the payment on or before the redemption date to or upon the order of the holders of such shares, upon surrender of the certificates for such shares. Such deposit in trust may, at the option of the corporation, be upon terms whereby in case the holder of any of the shares called for redemption shall not, within ten (10) years after the date fixed for the redemption of such shares, claim the amount on deposit with any such bank or trust company for the payment of the redemption price of said shares, such bank or trust company shall on demand pay to or upon the written order of the corporation or its successors the amount so deposited, and thereupon such bank or trust company shall be released from any and all further liability with respect to the payment of such redemption price and the holder of said shares shall be entitled to look only to the corporation or its successor for the payment thereof. Upon the giving of notice of redemption and upon the deposit of the redemption price, as aforesaid, or if no such deposit is made, upon the redemption date (unless the corporation defaults in making payment of the redemption price as set forth in such notice), such holders shall cease to be stockholders of the corporation with respect to said shares, and from and after the making of said deposit and the giving of said notice, or, if no such deposit is made, after the redemption date (the corporation not having defaulted in making payment of the redemption price as set forth in said notice), said shares shall no longer be transferable on the books of the corporation, and said holders shall have no interest in or claim against the corporation with respect to said shares, but shall be entitled only to receive said moneys on the date fixed for redemption, as aforesaid, from such bank or trust company, or from the corporation, without interest thereon, upon surrender of the certificates therefor as aforesaid.

The term "accrued dividends," as used herein, shall be deemed to mean, in respect of any share of the Preferred Stock as of any given date, the amount of dividends payable on such shares, computed, at the annual dividend rate fixed for such share, from the date on which dividends thereon became cumulative to and including such given date, less the aggregate amount of all dividends which have been paid or which have been declared and set apart for payment on such share. Accumulations of dividends shall not bear interest.

Nothing herein contained shall limit any legal right of the corporation to purchase any shares of the Preferred Stock.

(5) So long as any shares of the Preferred Stock of any series are outstanding, the corporation [except as otherwise provided in the last sentence of this paragraph (5)] shall not, without the affirmative vote of the record holders of shares of the Preferred Stock of all series at the time outstanding having in the aggregate a number of votes, calculated as provided in paragraph (2) of Division IV, at least equal to two-thirds of the total number of votes, as so calculated, possessed by all such holders:

(a) Amend the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation so as to create or authorize any stock ranking prior in any respect to the Preferred Stock or any security convertible into shares of such stock; or issue any such stock or convertible security; or

(b) Change, by amendment to the Articles of Incorporation, or otherwise, the terms and provisions of the Preferred Stock so as to affect adversely the rights and preferences of the holders thereof; *provided, however*, that if any such change will affect adversely the holders of one or more, but less than all, of the series of Preferred Stock at the time outstanding, there shall be required the vote only of the holders of shares of the series so adversely affected at the time outstanding having in the aggregate a number of votes, calculated as provided in paragraph (2) of Division IV, at least equal to two-thirds of the total number of votes, as so calculated, possessed by all such holders of such series; or

(c) Issue any shares of Preferred Stock, or shares of any stock ranking on a parity with the Preferred Stock, or any securities convertible into shares of such stock, *other than* in exchange for, or for the purpose of effecting the redemption or other retirement of, shares of Preferred Stock, or of any stock ranking prior thereto or on a parity therewith, or both, at the time outstanding having an aggregate amount of par or stated value of not less than the aggregate amount of par or stated value of the shares to be issued, unless

(i) the net income of the corporation (determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles) plus all amounts representing interest charges and all amounts for or in respect of taxes based on or measured by income shall, for a period of twelve consecutive calendar months within the fifteen calendar months next preceding the issue of such shares, have been at least one and one-half (1½) times the sum of (x) the interest for one year, adjusted by provision for amortization of debt discount and expense or of premium, as the case may be, on all funded indebtedness and notes payable of the corporation maturing more than twelve months after the date of issue of such shares or convertible securities which shall be outstanding at the date of the issue of said shares or convertible securities, and (y) an amount equal to the dividend requirement for one year on all shares of the Preferred Stock of all series and on all other shares of stock, if any, ranking prior to or on a parity with the Preferred Stock, which shall be outstanding after the issue of the shares or convertible securities proposed to be issued; and

(ii) the capital represented by the Common Stock plus the surplus accounts of the corporation shall be not less than the aggregate amount payable on the involuntary dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the corporation, in respect of all shares of the Preferred Stock of all series and all shares of stock, if any, ranking prior thereto, or on a parity therewith, which shall be outstanding after the issue of the shares or convertible securities proposed to be issued.

No consent of the holders of the Preferred Stock shall be required in respect of any transaction enumerated in this paragraph (5) if, at or prior to the time when such transaction is to take effect, provision is made for the redemption or other retirement of all shares of the Preferred Stock at the time outstanding, the affirmative vote of which would otherwise be required hereunder.

(6) So long as any shares of the Preferred Stock of any series are outstanding, the corporation [except as otherwise provided in the last sentence of this paragraph (6)] shall not, without the affirmative vote of the record holders of shares of the Preferred Stock of all series at the time outstanding having in the aggregate a number of votes, calculated as provided in paragraph (2) of Division IV, at least equal to a majority of the total number of votes, as so calculated, possessed by all such holders:

(a) Issue or assume any unsecured indebtedness (as hereinafter defined) for any purpose, *other than* the refunding of secured or unsecured indebtedness theretofore created or assumed by the corporation and then outstanding or the retiring, by redemption or otherwise, of shares of the Preferred Stock or shares of any stock ranking prior thereto or on a parity therewith, if immediately after such issue or assumption the total principal amount of all unsecured indebtedness issued or assumed by the corporation and then outstanding would exceed twenty-five per centum (25%) of the aggregate of (i) the total principal amount of all bonds or other securities representing secured indebtedness issued or assumed by the corporation and then outstanding and (ii) the total of the capital and surplus of the corporation, as then recorded on its books; or

(b) Merge or consolidate with any other corporation or corporations, or sell or lease all or substantially all of the assets of the corporation, unless such merger, consolidation or sale or lease or the issue or assumption of all securities to be issued or assumed in connection therewith shall have been ordered, approved or permitted by all regulatory bodies, federal and state, then having jurisdiction in the premises.

"Unsecured indebtedness" as the term is used in this paragraph (6) shall mean all unsecured notes, debentures or other securities representing unsecured indebtedness (whether having a single maturity,

serial maturities or sinking fund or other similar periodic principal or debt retirement payment provisions) which have a final maturity date, determined as of the date of issuance or assumption thereof by the corporation, of less than three years. No consent of the holders of the Preferred Stock shall be required in respect to any transaction enumerated in this paragraph (6) if, at or prior to the time when such transaction is to take effect, provision is made for the redemption or other retirement of all shares of the Preferred Stock at the time outstanding, the affirmative vote of which would otherwise be required hereunder.

(7) No provision contained in the foregoing paragraphs (5) and (6) is intended or shall be construed to relieve the corporation from compliance with any applicable statutory provision requiring the vote or consent of a greater number of the holders of the outstanding shares of the Preferred Stock.

(8) So long as any shares of the Preferred Stock are outstanding, the corporation shall not pay any dividends on its Common Stock (other than dividends payable in Common Stock) or make any distribution on or purchase or otherwise acquire for value any of its Common Stock (each such payment, distribution, purchase and/or acquisition being herein referred to as a "Common Stock dividend"), except to the extent permitted by the following provisions of this paragraph (8):

(a) No Common Stock dividend shall be declared or paid in an amount which, together with all other Common Stock dividends declared in the year ending on (and including) the date of the declaration of such Common Stock dividend, would in the aggregate exceed fifty per centum (50%) of the net income of the corporation available for dividends on its Common Stock for the twelve consecutive calendar months ending on the last day of the calendar month next preceding the declaration of such Common Stock dividend, if at the end of such calendar month the ratio (herein referred to as the "capitalization ratio") of the Common Stock equity (as hereinafter defined) of the corporation, to the total capital (as hereinafter defined) of the corporation shall be less than twenty per centum (20%).

(b) If such capitalization ratio, determined as aforesaid, shall be twenty per centum (20%) or more, but less than twenty-five per centum (25%), no Common Stock dividend shall be declared or paid in an amount which, together with all other Common Stock dividends declared in the year ending on (and including) the date of the declaration such Common Stock dividend, would exceed seventy-five per centum (75%) of the net income of the corporation available for dividends on its Common Stock for the twelve consecutive calendar months ending on the last day of the calendar month next preceding the declaration of such Common Stock dividend.

(c) If such capitalization ratio, determined as aforesaid, shall be twenty-five per centum (25%) or more, no Common Stock dividend shall be declared or paid which would reduce such capitalization ratio to less than twenty-five per centum (25%), except to the extent permitted by the next preceding paragraphs (a) and (b) hereof.

"Common Stock equity," as that term is used in this paragraph, shall consist of the sum of (1) the capital represented by the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock (including premiums on Common Stock) and (2) the surplus accounts of the corporation, less (i) any known, or estimated if not known, excess of the value, as recorded on the corporation's books, over the original cost, of used and useful utility plant and other property, unless (a) such excess is being amortized or provided for by reserves, or (b) such excess has been held, by final order of a court having jurisdiction or of the regulatory bodies having jurisdiction, to constitute an asset which need not be amortized or provided for by reserves, and (ii) any excess of the aggregate amount payable on the involuntary dissolution, liquidation, or winding up of the corporation, in respect of its outstanding shares of preference stocks of all classes over the aggregate par value of, or if without par value over the capital represented by, such preference stocks unless such excess is being amortized or provided for by reserves, and (iii) any items such as debt discount, premium and expense, capital stock discount and expense and similar items, classified as assets on the balance sheet of the corporation, unless such items are being amortized or provided for by reserves. The "total capital of the corporation" shall consist of the sum of (i) the principal amount of all

outstanding indebtedness of the corporation maturing one year or more after the date of the issue thereof and (ii) the par value of, or if without par value the capital represented by, all outstanding shares of capital stock (including premiums on capital stock) of all classes of the corporation, and (iii) the surplus accounts of the corporation. The term "net income of the corporation available for dividends on its Common Stock" for any period shall be determined by deducting from the sum of the operating revenues and income from investments and other miscellaneous income for such period, all operating expenses for such period, including maintenance and provision for depreciation as recorded on the books of the corporation (but not less than an amount equal to fifteen per centum (15%) of the gross operating revenues of the corporation less the cost of electric energy, gas and ice purchased for resale, during such period), income and excess profits and other taxes, all proper accruals, interest charges, amortization charges, other proper income deductions and all dividends paid or accrued on all outstanding shares of stock of the corporation having a preference as to dividends over the Common Stock for such period, all as shall be determined in accordance with such system of accounts as may be prescribed by regulatory authorities having jurisdiction in the premises or, in the absence thereof, in accordance with sound accounting practices. All indebtedness and capital stock of the corporation owned by the corporation shall be excluded in determining total capital. Purchases or other acquisition of Common Stock shall be deemed, for the purposes of this paragraph (8), to constitute a Common Stock dividend declared as of the date on which such purchases or acquisitions are consummated.

(9) No shares of preference stocks or evidence of indebtedness shall be deemed to be "outstanding", as that term is used in the preceding paragraphs (5), (6) and (8) of this Division I, if, prior to or concurrently with the event in reference to which a determination as to the amount thereof outstanding is to be made, the requisite funds for the redemption thereof shall be deposited in trust for that purpose and the requisite notice for the redemption thereof shall be given or the depository of such funds shall be irrevocably authorized and directed to give or complete such notice of redemption.

(10) No holder of the Preferred Stock, as such, shall have any preemptive right to subscribe to stock or other securities of the corporation, of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized.

(11) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in paragraph (2), each holder of shares of the 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Preferred Stock shall be entitled to reimbursement by the corporation for the amount of any personal property tax, not exceeding in the aggregate four mills per annum on each dollar of taxable value of each share of such stock owned by such holder, which may be legally assessed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any taxing authority therein upon each share of such stock held of record at the time of assessment of such tax thereon, or upon such holder by reason of his ownership thereof, and actually paid by such holder; provided that application for such reimbursement shall be made by such holder to the corporation at its office or agency in the City of Lexington, Kentucky, not later than 120 days after such tax shall have been paid, and that such application shall set forth the record ownership, at the time of such assessment of such shares of stock with respect to which such tax has been paid, the amount (exclusive of penalty and interest) of such tax actually paid by such holder, the due date thereof, and the tax year for which paid, together with the number or numbers of the certificate or certificates representing such stock, the residence of the applicant at the time such tax was assessed, and that such tax was assessed and was paid by him because of his ownership of such stock, and such further facts with respect to the legal liability of such holder to pay such tax as the corporation may reasonably require. The corporation shall in no event be liable to reimburse such holder for any interest or penalty assessed or accrued upon or paid by him in addition to the amount of such tax as originally assessed. No deduction from any dividend or other distribution declared or paid upon any such shares of such stock shall be made on account of such reimbursement made by the corporation with respect to any such tax.

II. PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE PREFERENCE STOCK

(1) The shares of the authorized Preference Stock, and all shares of the Preference Stock at any time having the status of authorized and unissued shares of Preference Stock, may be issued in one or

more series with (a) such stated values, (b) such rates of dividend (which shall be stated in the designation of the shares of each such series), (c) such redemption price or prices and terms and conditions, (d) such sinking fund provisions, if any, for the redemption or purchase of shares, (e) such amounts payable upon the voluntary or involuntary dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the corporation and (f) such terms and conditions, if any, regarding the conversion of shares into shares of Common Stock, determined and fixed by the Board of Directors of the corporation in the manner provided by law, as the Board of Directors shall from time to time authorize. Authority is hereby expressly granted to and vested in the Board of Directors of the corporation, by resolution, to divide any authorized and unissued shares of the Preference Stock into one or more series and to determine and fix by resolution the relative rights and preferences of the shares of any such series, the number of shares of each such series and the provisions with respect to the shares of such series referred to in items (a) through (f) above and to change redeemed or re-acquired shares of any such series into shares of another series, *subject, however*, to such restrictions and limitations as are, or may be, from time to time provided by law or contained in the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation or amendments thereto. The stated value of the shares of each series of Preference Stock shall be fixed by the Board of Directors of the corporation in the resolution establishing each series. Shares of any series of Preference Stock may not be issued for a consideration less than the aggregate stated value thereof.

All shares of the Preference Stock, regardless of designation, shall constitute one class of stock, shall be of equal rank and shall confer equal rights on the holders thereof, except only as to those provisions which the Articles of Incorporation authorize the Board of Directors of the corporation to fix by resolution. All shares of any one series of Preference Stock shall be alike in all respects.

(2) Subject to the preferential rights of the holders of the Preferred Stock with respect to the declaration and payment of dividends as set forth in paragraph (2) of Division I, subject to the provisions of the second grammatical paragraph of paragraph (2) of Division I and subject to the provisions of paragraph (8) of Division I, holders of the Preference Stock shall be entitled to receive, in respect of each share held, dividends upon the stated value thereof at the annual rate specified in the designation of such share, and no more, payable quarter-yearly on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 in each year, or on such other dates in each year as may be fixed by the Board of Directors of the corporation, but only when and as declared by the Board of Directors out of the surplus or net profits of the corporation available for the payment of dividends. Dividends on shares of the Preference Stock shall be cumulative from and including the date of issue thereof, and shall be paid, or declared and set apart for payment, before any dividends shall be declared or paid on or set apart for the Common Stock; so that if for any past dividend period or the then current dividend period dividends on the Preference Stock shall not have been paid, or declared and set apart for payment, the deficiency shall be fully paid or declared and funds set apart for the payment thereof before any dividends shall be declared or paid on or set apart for the Common Stock. No dividend shall at any time be paid on or set apart for any share of the Preference Stock unless at the same time there shall be paid on or set apart for all shares of the Preference Stock then outstanding dividends in such amount that the holders of all shares of Preference Stock then outstanding shall receive or have set apart for them a uniform percentage of the full annual dividend to which they are, respectively, entitled. The term "dividend period", as used herein, refers to each period of three consecutive calendar months ending on the day next preceding each date on which dividends, if declared, shall be payable. When full cumulative dividends as aforesaid upon the Preference Stock then outstanding for all past dividend periods and for the then current dividend period shall have been paid or declared and set apart for payment, the Board of Directors may declare dividends on the Common Stock of the corporation, subject to any other restrictions contained in the Articles of Incorporation.

In addition to the provisions of the second and fifth sentences of the preceding paragraph of this paragraph (2) with respect to the declaration by the Board of Directors of dividends on the Common Stock and the payment of any such dividends, it shall also be a condition precedent to the declaration by the Board of Directors of dividends on the Common Stock and the payment of any such dividends that

all amounts required to be paid or set aside for any sinking fund for the redemption or purchase of shares of Preference Stock of any series, with respect to all preceding sinking fund dates or periods, shall have been paid or set aside in accordance with the terms of the shares of such series. No funds shall be paid into or set aside for any sinking fund for the redemption or purchase of shares of Preference Stock of any series unless all dividends on the Preference Stock, for all past dividend periods, shall have been fully paid or declared and funds set apart for the payment thereof.

(3) Subject to the preferential rights of the holders of the Preferred Stock with respect to the payment of amounts upon the dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the corporation as set forth in paragraph (3) of Division I, upon the dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, the holders of shares of the Preference Stock of each series shall be entitled, before any amount shall be paid to the holders of shares of the Common Stock, to be paid in full out of the net assets of the corporation such amount or amounts per share as shall have been fixed for such series by the Board of Directors of the corporation as the voluntary or involuntary liquidation price, as the case may be, in the resolution establishing such series. After such payment in full to the holders of shares of the Preference Stock, the remaining assets and profits shall be divided among and paid to the holders of shares of the Common Stock.

(4) So long as any shares of the Preference Stock of any series are outstanding, the corporation [except as otherwise provided in the last sentence of this paragraph (4)] shall not, without the affirmative vote of the record holders of shares of the Preference Stock of all series at the time outstanding having in the aggregate a number of votes, calculated as provided in paragraph (2) of Division IV, at least equal to two-thirds of the total number of votes, as so calculated, possessed by all such holders:

(a) Amend the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation so as to create or authorize any stock of any class, other than the Preferred Stock, ranking prior in any respect to the Preference Stock or any security convertible into shares of stock of such class, other than the Preferred Stock; or

(b) Change, by amendment to the Articles of Incorporation, or otherwise, the terms and provisions of the Preference Stock so as to affect adversely the rights and preferences of the holders thereof; *provided, however*, that if any such change will affect adversely the holders of one or more, but less than all, of the series of Preference Stock at the time outstanding, there shall be required the vote only of the holders of shares of the series so adversely affected at the time outstanding having in the aggregate a number of votes, calculated as provided in paragraph (2) of Division IV, at least equal to two-thirds of the total number of votes, as so calculated, possessed by all such holders of such series.

No consent of the holders of the Preference Stock shall be required in respect of any transaction enumerated in this paragraph (4) if, at or prior to the time when such transaction is to take effect, provision is made for the redemption or other retirement of all shares of the Preference Stock at the time outstanding, the affirmative vote of which would otherwise be required hereunder.

(5) So long as any shares of the Preference Stock of any series are outstanding, the corporation [except as otherwise provided in the last sentence of this paragraph (5)] shall not, without the affirmative vote of the record holders of shares of the Preference Stock of all series at the time outstanding having in the aggregate a number of votes, calculated as provided in paragraph (2) of Division IV, at least equal to a majority of the total number of votes, as so calculated, possessed by all such holders, merge or consolidate with any other corporation or corporations, or sell or lease all or substantially all of the assets of the corporation; *provided, however*, that the foregoing restriction shall not apply to (i) a merger or consolidation of the corporation with or into, or the sale or lease of all or substantially all of the assets of the corporation to, any corporation 50% or more of the voting securities of which is owned by the corporation, directly or indirectly, or (ii) any merger, consolidation, sale or lease required by order or regulation of any regulatory body, federal or state, then having jurisdiction in the premises or which shall have been approved or permitted by all such regulatory bodies. No consent or vote of the holders of the Preference Stock shall be required in respect of any transaction enumerated in this paragraph (5) if, at or prior to the time when such transaction is to take effect, provision is made for the redemption or

other retirement of all shares of the Preference Stock at the time outstanding, the affirmative vote of which would otherwise be required hereunder.

(6) No provision contained in the foregoing paragraphs (4) and (5) is intended or shall be construed to relieve the corporation from compliance with any applicable statutory provision requiring the vote or consent of a greater number of the holders of the outstanding shares of the Preference Stock.

(7) No shares of Preference Stock shall be deemed to be "outstanding", as that term is used in the preceding paragraphs (4) and (5) of this Division II, if, prior to or concurrently with the event in reference to which a determination as to the amount thereof outstanding is to be made, the requisite funds for the redemption thereof shall have been deposited in trust for that purpose and the requisite notice for the redemption thereof shall have been given or the depository of such funds shall have been irrevocably authorized and directed to give or complete such notice of redemption.

(8) No holder of the Preference Stock, as such, shall have any preemptive right to subscribe to stock or other securities of the corporation, of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized.

III. PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE COMMON STOCK

No holder of the Common Stock, as such, shall have any preemptive right to subscribe to stock or other securities of the corporation, of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized.

IV. VOTING RIGHTS

The voting rights in respect of the shares of capital stock of the corporation shall be as follows:

(1) Shares of Common Stock of the corporation shall have full voting rights. Each shareholder of record of Common Stock entitled to vote on any matter shall be entitled to one vote on such matter for every share standing in his name on the books of the corporation, except that, in all elections for directors of the corporation, each holder of shares of Common Stock shall have the right to cast as many votes in the aggregate as he shall be entitled to vote thereon, multiplied by the number of directors to be elected at such election, and each such shareholder may cast the whole number of votes for one candidate or distribute those votes among two or more candidates.

(2) No holder of shares of the Preferred Stock, as such, shall be entitled to vote for the election of directors or in respect of any matter, except as provided in paragraph (5) or (6) of Division I or in paragraph (3) or (8) of this Division IV, or as may be required by law. No holder of shares of the Preference Stock, as such, shall be entitled to vote for the election of directors or in respect of any matter, except as provided in paragraph (4) or (5) of Division II or in paragraph (4) or (8) of this Division IV, or as may be required by law. In such excepted cases, each record holder of Preferred Stock shall have, for each share of Preferred Stock held by him, and each record holder of Preference Stock shall have, for each share of Preference Stock held by him, that number of votes (including any fractional vote) determined by dividing the stated value of such share by 100, *except* that, when holders of Preferred Stock are entitled to elect directors as provided in this Division IV, and when holders of Preference Stock are entitled to elect directors as provided in this Division IV, each holder of Preferred Stock and each holder of Preference Stock, as the case may be, shall have the right to cast the number of votes attributable to him as so computed multiplied by the number of directors to be so elected in such election by the Preferred Stock or the Preference Stock, as the case may be, and each such holder may cast the whole number of votes for one candidate or distribute those votes among two or more candidates.

(3) If and when dividends payable on the Preferred Stock shall be in default in an amount equivalent to four full quarter-yearly dividends on all shares of Preferred Stock then outstanding and until all dividends then in default on the Preferred Stock shall have been paid, the record holders of the shares of Preferred Stock, voting separately as one class, shall be entitled, at each meeting of the shareholders at which directors are elected, to elect the smallest number of directors necessary to

constitute a majority of the full Board of Directors, and the record holders of the shares of Common Stock, voting separately as a class, shall be entitled at any such meeting to elect the remaining directors of the corporation, subject to the special right of the holders of shares of Preference Stock to elect directors as provided in paragraph (4) of this Division IV, if then applicable. For the purpose of exercising the right of cumulative voting, the election by the record holders of shares of Preferred Stock of the number of directors which they are entitled to elect shall be considered one election, and the election by the record holders of shares of Common Stock of the number of directors which they are entitled to elect shall be considered another election. The term of office of each director of the corporation elected pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph (3) shall terminate upon the election of his successor. At each election of directors by a class vote pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph, the class first electing the directors which it is entitled to elect shall name the directors who are to be succeeded by the directors then elected by such class, whereupon the term of office of the directors so named shall terminate. The term of office of the directors not so named shall terminate upon the election by the other class of the directors which it is entitled to elect.

(4) If and when dividends payable on the Preference Stock shall be in default in an amount equivalent to four full quarter-yearly dividends on all shares of Preference Stock then outstanding and until all dividends then in default on the Preference Stock shall have been paid, the record holders of the shares of Preference Stock, voting separately as one class, shall be entitled, at each meeting of the shareholders at which directors are elected, to elect two directors, and the record holders of the shares of Common Stock, voting separately as a class, shall be entitled at any such meeting to elect the remaining directors of the corporation, subject to the special right of the holders of shares of Preferred Stock to elect directors as provided in paragraph (3) of this Division IV, if then applicable. For the purpose of exercising the right of cumulative voting, the election by the record holders of shares of Preference Stock of the number of directors which they are entitled to elect shall be considered one election, and the election by the record holders of shares of Common Stock of the number of directors which they are entitled to elect shall be considered a separate election. The term of office of each director of the corporation elected pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph (4) shall terminate upon the election of his successor. At each election of directors by a class vote of the Preference Stock or the Common Stock pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph, the class first electing the directors which it is entitled to elect shall name the directors who are to be succeeded by the directors then elected by such class, whereupon the term of office of the directors so named shall terminate. The term of office of the directors not so named shall terminate upon the election by the other class of the directors which it is entitled to elect.

(5) If and when all dividends in default on the Preferred Stock then outstanding shall be paid, the holders of the shares of the Preferred Stock shall thereupon be divested of the special right with respect to the election of directors provided in paragraph (3) of this Division IV, and the voting power of holders of shares of the Preferred Stock and the Common Stock shall revert to the status existing before the occurrence of such default, but always subject to the same provisions for vesting such special right in the Preferred Stock in case of further like default or defaults in dividends thereon and, in the case of the Common Stock, subject to the special right of the holders of shares of Preference Stock to elect directors as provided in paragraph (4) of this Division IV, if then applicable.

(6) If and when all dividends in default on the Preference Stock then outstanding shall be paid, the holders of the shares of the Preference Stock shall thereupon be divested of the special right with respect to the election of directors provided in paragraph (4) of this Division IV, and the voting power of holders of shares of the Preference Stock and the Common Stock shall revert to the status existing before the occurrence of such default, but always subject to the same provisions for vesting such special right in the Preference Stock in case of further like default or defaults in dividends thereon.

(7) Dividends shall be deemed to have been paid, as that term is used in paragraphs (3) and (4) of this Division IV, whenever such dividends shall have been declared and paid, or declared and provision made for the payment thereof, or whenever there shall be surplus and net profits of the corporation

legally available for the payment thereof which shall have accrued since the date of the default giving rise to such special voting rights.

(8) In case of any vacancy in the Board of Directors occurring among the directors elected by the holders of the shares of the Preferred Stock, as a class, pursuant to paragraph (3) of this Division IV, the holders of the shares of the Preferred Stock then outstanding and entitled to vote may elect a successor to hold office for the unexpired term of the director whose place shall be vacant. In case of any vacancy in the Board of Directors occurring among the directors elected by the holders of the shares of the Preference Stock, as a class, pursuant to paragraph (4) of this Division IV, the holders of the shares of the Preference Stock then outstanding and entitled to vote may elect a successor to hold office for the unexpired term of the director whose place shall be vacant. In case of a vacancy in the Board of Directors occurring among the directors elected by the holders of the shares of the Common Stock, as a class, pursuant to paragraph (3) or (4) of this Division IV, the holders of the shares of the Common Stock then outstanding and entitled to vote may elect a successor to hold office for the unexpired term of the director whose place shall be vacant. In all other cases, any vacancy occurring among the directors shall be filled by the vote of a majority of the remaining directors.

(9) Whenever the holders of the shares of the Preferred Stock, as a class, become entitled to elect directors of the corporation pursuant to paragraph (3) or (8) of this Division IV, or whenever the holders of the shares of the Preference Stock, as a class, become entitled to elect directors of the corporation pursuant to paragraph (4) or (8) of this Division IV, or whenever the holders of the shares of the Common Stock, as a class, become entitled to elect directors of the corporation pursuant to paragraph (3), (4) or (8) of this Division IV, a special meeting of the holders of the shares of the Preferred Stock, of the holders of the shares of the Preference Stock or of the holders of the shares of the Common Stock, as the case may be, for the election of such directors, shall be held at any time thereafter upon call by the holders of not less than 1,000 shares of the Common Stock, shares of the Preferred Stock with an aggregate stated value of not less than \$100,000 or shares of the Preference Stock with an aggregate stated value of not less than \$100,000 as the case may be, or upon call by the Secretary of the corporation at the request in writing of any stockholder addressed to him at the principal office of the corporation. If no such special meeting be called or be requested to be called, the respective elections of the directors to be elected by the holders of the shares of the Preferred Stock, the Preference Stock, and the Common Stock, each voting as a class, shall take place at the next annual meeting of the stockholders of the corporation next succeeding the accrual of such special voting right. At all meetings of stockholders at which directors are elected during such time as the holders of shares of the Preferred Stock or the holders of shares of the Preference Stock shall have the special right, each voting separately as one class, to elect directors pursuant to this Division IV, the presence in person or by proxy of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock shall be required to constitute a quorum of such class for the election of directors, the presence in person or by proxy of the holders of that number of the outstanding shares of all series of the Preference Stock having a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the Preference Stock at the meeting shall be required to constitute a quorum of such class for the election of directors, and the presence in person or by proxy of the holders of that number of the outstanding shares of all series of the Preferred Stock having a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the Preferred Stock at the meeting shall be required to constitute a quorum of such class for the election of directors; provided, however, that the absence of a quorum of the holders of stock of any such class shall not prevent the election at any such meeting or adjournment thereof of directors by any other such class if the necessary quorum of the holders of stock of such class is present in person or by proxy at such meeting; and *provided further* that in the absence of a quorum of the holders of stock of any such class, the holders of the stock of such class who are present in person or by proxy shall have power upon the majority vote of those votes represented at the meeting to adjourn the election of the directors to be elected by such class from day to day without notice other than announcement at the meeting until the requisite number of votes of such class shall be represented by stockholders present in person or by proxy.

(10) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article Seventh and Article Eighth of the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation and any provisions of the By-laws of the corporation, during any period in which both holders of shares of Preferred Stock and holders of shares of Preference Stock, each voting separately as a class, shall have the special right to elect directors as provided in this Division IV, the number of directors constituting the full Board of Directors shall not be less than seven.

(11) In consideration of the issue by the corporation, and the purchase by the holders thereof, of shares of the capital stock of the corporation, each and every present and future holder of shares of the capital stock of the corporation shall be conclusively deemed, by acquiring or holding such shares, to have expressly consented to all and singular the terms and provisions of this Division IV and to have agreed that the voting rights of such holders and the restrictions and qualifications thereof shall be as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation.

(12) No shares of Preferred Stock or Preference Stock shall be deemed to be "outstanding", as that term is used in this Division IV, if, prior to or concurrently with the event in reference to which a determination as to the amount thereof outstanding is to be made, the requisite funds for the redemption thereof shall be deposited in trust for that purpose and the requisite notice for the redemption thereof shall be given or the depository of such funds shall be irrevocably authorized and directed to give or complete such notice of redemption.

V. VOTE REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN ACTIONS

Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (5) and (6) of Division I, in paragraphs (4) and (5) of Division II and paragraphs (3), (4) and (8) of Division IV, to the extent applicable law permits the Articles of Incorporation expressly to provide for a lesser vote than that otherwise provided by law to take any action for which a vote of shareholders is required, including, without limitation, approval of an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation, a plan of merger or share exchange, a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the corporation other than in the regular course of business or the dissolution of the corporation, such action or approval shall be, with respect to each voting group entitled to vote on the proposal, by a majority of all votes entitled to be cast. Shareholder approval shall not be required in connection with the creation or issuance of rights, options or warrants to purchase shares of the corporation to be issued to directors, officers or employees of the corporation or any subsidiary thereof, and not to shareholders generally, to the extent applicable law permits the Articles of Incorporation expressly to so provide.

SIXTH: The corporation shall begin business as soon as authorized, as provided by statute, and shall have perpetual duration.

SEVENTH: The affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by a Board of nine directors, or such other number of directors, not less than three, as shall from time to time be prescribed by the By-laws, who, except as otherwise provided in this Article Seventh, shall be elected at each annual meeting of the corporation on a day to be fixed in the By-laws, for a term expiring at the next succeeding annual meeting of the corporation. During such time as there are nine or more directors, and subject to the special rights of the holders of shares of the Preferred Stock and the holders of the shares of the Preference Stock to elect directors as provided in paragraphs (3), (4) and (8) of Division IV of Article Fifth and as specified in this Article Seventh, the directors shall be divided into three groups, as nearly equal in number as possible, and the term of office of the first group will expire at the 1991 annual meeting of the corporation, the term of office of the second group will expire at the 1992 annual meeting of the corporation and the term of office of the third group will expire at the 1993 annual meeting of the corporation, and at each annual meeting commencing with the 1991 annual meeting, directors elected to succeed those whose terms expire shall be elected for a term of office expiring at the third succeeding annual meeting of the corporation after their election or, in the event of a director elected to succeed a director elected to fill a vacancy, for a term expiring at the annual meeting at which the term of the director whose termination of office first created such vacancy would have expired. Notwithstanding the

preceding sentence, the term of office of all directors shall expire at the special or annual meeting of the corporation at which the holders of the shares of the Preferred Stock are entitled to elect directors as provided in paragraph (3) of Division IV of Article Fifth or the holders of the shares of the Preference Stock are entitled to elect directors as provided in paragraph (4) of Division IV of Article Fifth; and so long as the holders of the shares of either the Preferred Stock or the Preference Stock shall be entitled to such special voting rights in the election of directors, the directors shall be elected and the term of each director shall expire as provided in said Division IV of Article Fifth. At such time as the holders of the shares of the Preferred Stock and the holders of the shares of the Preference Stock no longer have the special right to elect directors as provided in paragraph (5) or (6) of Division IV of Article Fifth, the Board shall again be divided into three groups as provided in this Article Seventh, the term of office of the first group to expire at the first annual meeting after the meeting at which directors are again elected by the holders of shares of the Common Stock, the term of office of the second group to expire at the second annual meeting after such meeting and the term of office of the third group to expire at the third annual meeting after such meeting (provided that no director shall be elected at such meeting for a term longer than three years), and directors elected to succeed those whose terms expire shall again be elected for a term of office expiring at the third succeeding annual meeting of the corporation after their election or, in the event of a director elected to succeed a director elected to fill a vacancy, for a term expiring at the annual meeting at which the term of the director whose termination of office first created such vacancy would have expired; subject to the same provisions for vesting in the holders of the shares of the Preferred Stock and the holders of the shares of the Preference Stock of such special rights in the election of directors as provided in Division IV of Article Fifth. The directors, as soon as practicable after each annual meeting, shall elect a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Controller, and such other officers as may, from time to time, be provided for by the Board.

EIGHTH: The authority to make and to change, the By-laws is hereby vested in the Board of Directors, subject to the power of the stockholders to change or repeal the By-laws.

NINTH: The private property of the stockholders shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatsoever.

TENTH: 1. No director of the corporation shall be personally liable to the corporation or its shareholders for monetary damages for any breach of his or her duties as a director, except for liability (a) for any transaction in which the director's personal financial interest is in conflict with the financial interests of the corporation or its shareholders; (b) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional or wilful misconduct or are known to the director to be a violation of law; (c) for any vote for or assent to an unlawful distribution to shareholders as prohibited under Kentucky Revised Statutes 271B.8-330 and Virginia Stock Corporation Act § 13.1-692; or (d) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

2. If either the Kentucky Business Corporation Act or the Virginia Stock Corporation Act is amended after approval by the shareholders of this Article to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, and these Articles could be amended to effect such change, then the liability of a director of the corporation shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the Kentucky Business Corporation Act and the Virginia Stock Corporation Act, as so amended, and without the necessity for further shareholder action in respect thereof.

3. Any repeal or modification of this Article by the shareholders of the corporation shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the corporation hereunder in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

ELEVENTH: 1. The corporation shall indemnify a director, officer, employee, or agent who was wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which he was a party because he is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation against reasonable expenses incurred by him in connection with the proceeding.

2. Except as provided in paragraph 3 of this Article, the corporation shall indemnify an individual made a party to a proceeding because he is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation against liability incurred in the proceeding if: (a) he conducted himself in good faith; and (b) he reasonably believed: (i) in the case of conduct in his official capacity with the corporation, that his conduct was in its best interest; and (ii) in all other cases, that his conduct was at least not opposed to its best interest; and (iii) in the case of any criminal proceeding, he had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful.

3. The corporation shall not indemnify a director under paragraph 2 of this Article (a) in connection with a proceeding by or in the right of the corporation in which the director was adjudged liable to the corporation; or (b) in connection with any other proceeding charging improper personal benefit to him, whether or not involving action in his official capacity, in which he was adjudged liable on the basis that personal benefit was improperly received by him.

4. Indemnification under this Article in connection with a proceeding by or in the right of the corporation shall be limited to reasonable expenses incurred in connection with the proceeding.

5. If, after approval by the shareholders of this Article, either the Kentucky Business Corporation Act or the Virginia Stock Corporation Act is amended to extend the permissible indemnification of a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation and these Articles could be amended to effect such change, then the indemnification of a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation shall be afforded to the fullest extent permitted by the Kentucky Business Corporation Act and the Virginia Stock Corporation Act, as so amended, and without the necessity for further shareholder action in respect thereof.

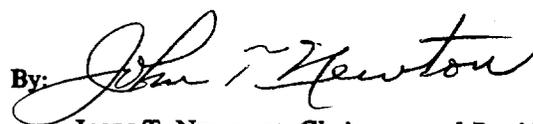
6. In addition to (and not by way of limitation of) the foregoing provisions of this Article Eleventh and the provisions of the Kentucky Business Corporation Act and the provisions of the Virginia Stock Corporation Act, each person (including the heirs, executors, administrators and estate of such person) who is or was or had agreed to become a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation and each person (including the heirs, executors, administrators and estate of such person) who is or was serving or who had agreed to serve at the request of the directors or any officer of the corporation as a director, officer, employee, trustee, partner or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise shall be indemnified by the corporation to the fullest extent permitted by the Kentucky Business Corporation Act and the Virginia Stock Corporation Act, or any other applicable laws as presently or hereafter in effect. Without limiting the generality or the effect of the foregoing, the corporation is authorized to enter into one or more agreements with any person which provide for indemnification greater or different than that provided in this Article Eleventh.

7. Any repeal or modification of this Article by the shareholders of the corporation shall not adversely affect any indemnification of any person hereunder in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

TWELFTH: Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (9) of Division IV of Article Fifth, no special meeting of shareholders shall be held upon the demand of shareholders of the corporation unless the holders of at least fifty-one percent (51%) of all the votes entitled to be cast on each issue proposed to be considered at the special meeting shall have signed, dated and delivered to the corporation's secretary one or more written demands for the meeting describing the purpose or purposes for which it is to be held.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the foregoing Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation are executed by the corporation by its President, this 27th day of October, 1992.

KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY

By: 
JOHN T. NEWTON, *Chairman and President*

STATE OF KENTUCKY }
COUNTY OF FAYETTE } ss.

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, do hereby certify that on this 27th day of October, 1992, personally appeared before me John T. Newton, who being by me first duly sworn declared that he is Chairman and President of KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY, that he signed the foregoing Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY, and that the statements therein contained are true.

WITNESS my signature this 27th day of October, 1992.

Marilyn B Ballard

MARILYN BALLARD

Notary Public, State at Large, Kentucky

My commission expires October 27, 1994.

The foregoing instrument was
prepared by George S. Brooks II,
One Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40507.

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Exhibit II

Swedish Cross-Border Lease

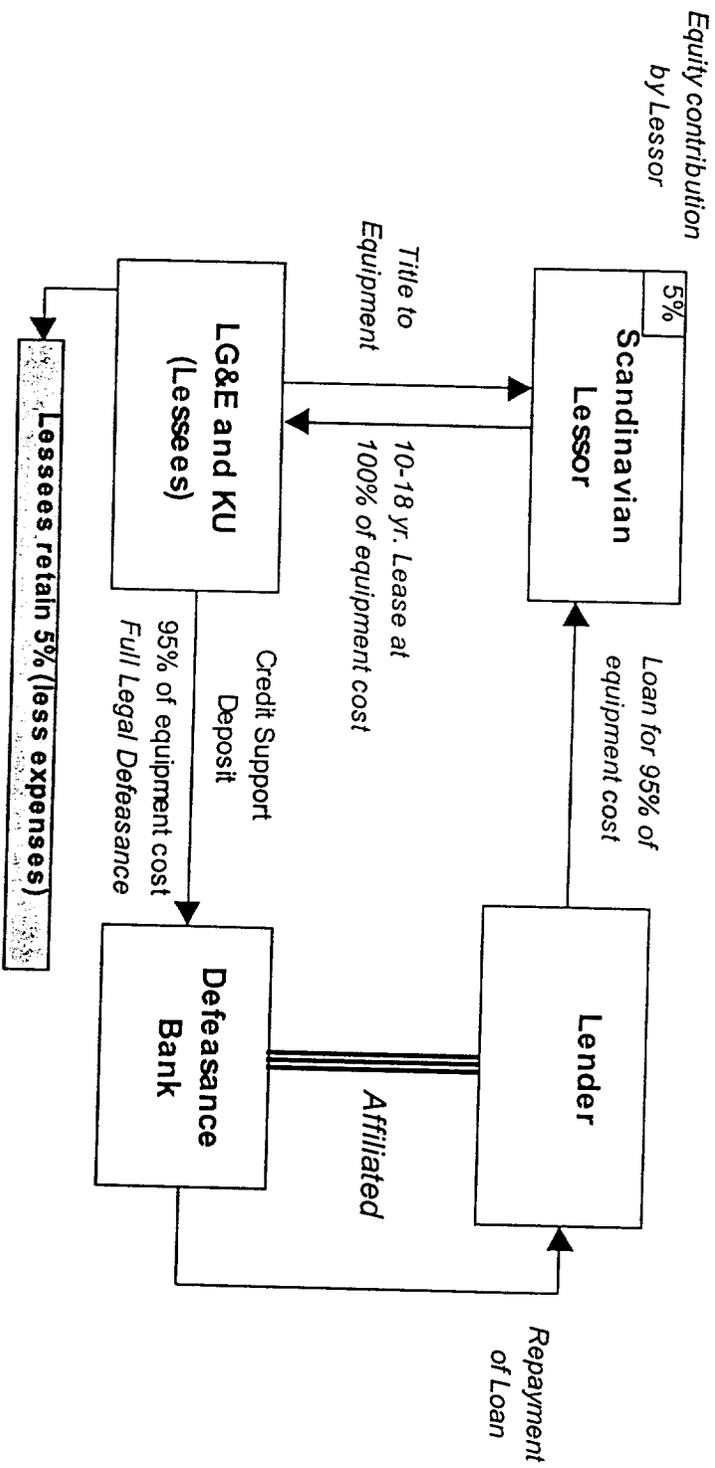


Exhibit III

German Cross-Border Lease

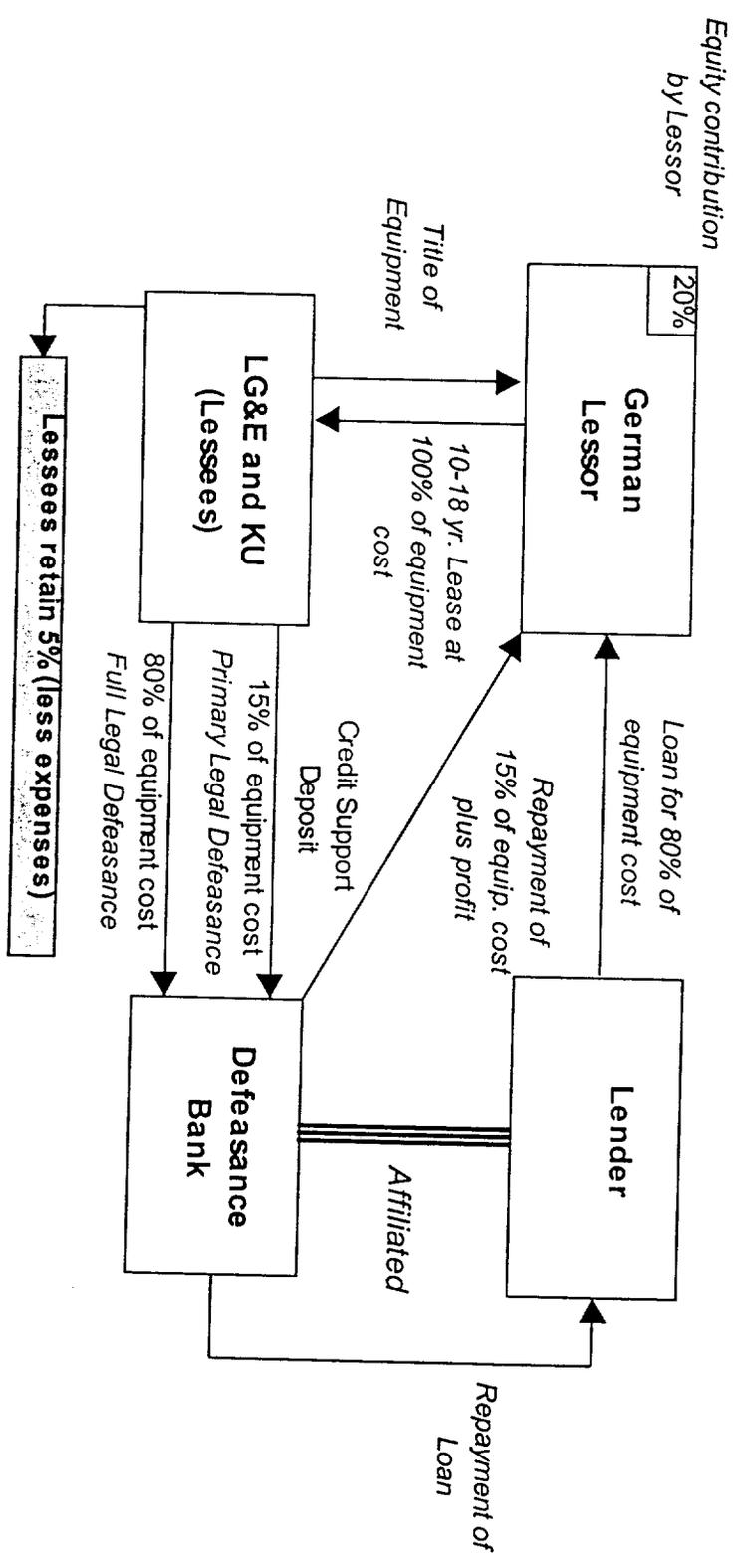


Exhibit IV

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Exhibit V

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Exhibit VI

KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT
(807 KAR 5:001 SEC. 6)

JULY 31, 1999

- (1) Amount and kinds of stock authorized.

300,000,000 shares of Common Stock, without par value.
400,000 shares of Cumulative Preferred Stock, without par value.

- (2) Amount and kinds of stock issued and outstanding.

Common Stock:

37,817,878 shares issued and outstanding.

Preferred Stock

\$100 stated value, 4-3/4% cumulative, 200,000 shares issued and outstanding.
\$100 stated value, 6.53% cumulative, 200,000 shares issued and outstanding.

- (3) Terms of preference of preferred stock whether cumulative or participating, or on dividends or assets otherwise.

Preferred Stock outstanding has cumulative provision on dividends.

- (4) Brief description of each mortgage on property of applicant, giving date of execution, name of mortgagor, name of mortgagee, or trustee, amount of indebtedness authorized to be secured thereby, and the amount of the indebtedness actually secured, together with any sinking fund provisions.

Mortgage indenture dated May 1, 1947, executed by and between the Company and Continental Illinois Bank and Trust Company of Chicago (the "Trustee") and Edmund B. Stofft, as trustees and amended by the several indentures supplemental thereto. As of June 30, 1999, the amount of indebtedness secured thereby was \$546,330,000. The indenture does not fix an overall limitation on the aggregate principal amount of bonds of all series that may be issued or outstanding thereunder. The sinking fund requirements (exclusive of redemption premium) for bonds outstanding at July 31, 1999 will aggregate \$376,000 each year for the period 1995 through 1999. The requirements may be satisfied with net expenditures of bondable property, at the rate of 166-2/3% of the requirement, or with cash or, as to the bonds of each series, with bonds of that series.

- (5) Amount of bonds authorized, and amount issued giving the name of the public utility which issued the same, describing each class separately, and giving date of issue, face value, rate of interest, date of maturity and how secured, together with an amount of interest paid thereon during the last fiscal year.

First Mortgage Bonds authorized and issued by Kentucky Utilities Company at July 31, 1999, secured by a first mortgage lien, subject only to permitted encumbrances, on all or substantially all the permanent fixed properties, other than excluded property, owned by the Company:

Series	Date of Issue	Date of Maturity	Rate of Interest	Principal Amount		Expense Year Ended July 31, 1999
				Authorized	Outstanding at July 31, 1999	
P	5/15/92	5/15/07	7.92%	\$ 53,000,000	\$ 53,000,000	4,131,690
P	5/15/92	5/15/27	8.55%	33,000,000	33,000,000	2,821,500
Q	6/15/93	6/15/00	5.95%	61,500,000	61,500,000	3,659,250
Q	6/15/93	6/15/03	6.32%	62,000,000	62,000,000	3,918,400
R	6/1/95	6/1/25	7.55%	50,000,000	50,000,000	3,775,000
S	1/15/96	1/15/06	5.99%	36,000,000	36,000,000	2,156,400
Pollution Control Bonds						
1B	8/1/92	2/1/18	6.25%	\$ 20,930,000	\$ 20,930,000	1,308,125
2B	8/1/92	2/1/18	6.25%	2,400,000	2,400,000	150,000
3B	8/1/92	2/1/18	6.25%	7,200,000	7,200,000	450,000
4B	8/1/92	2/1/18	6.25%	7,400,000	7,400,000	462,500
7	5/1/90	5/1/10	7.38%	4,000,000	4,000,000	295,001
7	5/1/90	5/10/20	7.60%	8,900,000	8,900,000	676,400
8	9/15/92	9/15/16	7.45%	96,000,000	96,000,000	7,152,000
9	12/1/93	12/1/23	5.75%	50,000,000	50,000,000	2,875,000
10	11/1/94	11/1/24	Variable	54,000,000	54,000,000	1,786,290
				TOTAL	\$ 546,330,000	\$ 35,617,557

* An interest rate swap relating to Series P was executed in May 1999 wherein KU receives a fixed rate of 7.92% and pays six-month LIBOR plus 1.88%. No payments have been made to KU through July 31, 1999.

- (6) Each note outstanding, giving date of issue, amount, date of maturity, rate of interest in whose favor, together with amount of interest paid thereon during the last fiscal year.

Secured Note – Thurman Hardin

<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate of Interest</u>	<u>Date of Maturity</u>	<u>Interest Paid Year Ended July 31, 1999</u>
12/27/89	\$ 85,116	8.00%	1/5/99	\$ 733

- (7) Other indebtedness, giving same by classes and describing security, if any with a brief statement of the devolution or assumption of any portion of such indebtedness upon or by person or corporation if the original liability has been transferred, together with amount of interest paid thereon during the last fiscal year.

None, other than current and accrued liabilities.

- (8) Rate and amount of dividends paid during the five previous fiscal years, and amount of capital stock on which dividends were paid. (1)

Dividends on Common Stock, without par value

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount Declared</u>
1994	61,644,000
1995	63,250,000
1996	65,047,000
1997	66,559,000
1998	76,091,000
July 1999	36,000,000

- (1) As of May 1998, the 37,817,878 shares are all owned by LG&E Energy Corp. and all dividends declared by KU's Board of Directors are paid to LG&E Energy Corp.

Dividends on 4 3/4% Cumulative Preferred Stock

For each of the quarters in the previous five fiscal years, the Company declared and paid dividends of \$ per share on the 200,000 outstanding shares of 4 3/4% Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$100 stated value, for a total of \$ 237,500 per quarter. On an annual basis the dividend amounted to \$4.75 per share, or \$950,000.

Dividends on 6.53% Cumulative Preferred Stock

For each of the quarters in the previous five fiscal years, the Company declared and paid dividends of \$ per share on the 200,000 outstanding shares of 6.53% Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$100 stated value, for a total of \$326,500 per quarter. On an annual basis the dividend amounted to \$6.53 per share, or \$1,306,000.

(9) Detailed Income Statement and Balance Sheet

Monthly Financial and Operating Reports are filed each month with the Commission. Our most recent mailing occurred on August 13, 1999, and covered financial statements for periods through June 30, 1999. Attached are detailed Statements of Income, Balance sheets and Retained Earnings for the Company for the period ending July 31, 1999.

KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY
(807 KAR 5:001, Section 11, Item 2(a))

The 1998 Annual Report to Stockholders of LG&E Energy Corp. ("LG&E Energy") contains consolidated Statements of Income, Balance sheets, Statements of Retained Earnings, Statements of Cash Flows, Statements of Capitalization, Management's Discussions and Analysis of Results of Operation and Financial Conditions, and Notes to Financial Statements, for LG&E Energy and its subsidiaries including Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") and Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") (collectively, the "Companies"). The Annual Report, the FERC Forms 1 and 2 (Form 2 required for LG&E only), and subsequent monthly reports of the Companies have been previously filed with the Commission.

We have also attached the succeeding eight pages, detailed Statements of Income, Balance Sheets and Statements of Retained Earnings for the Companies for the period ending July 31, 1999.

KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY
STATEMENT OF INCOME
July 31, 1999

	For 12 months ended	
	<u>7/31/1999</u>	<u>7/31/1998</u>
Operating Revenues	893,796,327	769,954,432
Operating Expenses		
Fuel for Electric Generation	221,287,791	208,866,757
Power Purchased	205,337,481	85,946,496
Other Operation Expenses	119,741,997	121,876,070
Maintenance	60,131,279	62,814,534
Depreciation	87,886,514	85,731,513
Federal Income and State Income Taxes	54,786,120	58,944,450
Other Taxes	15,374,678	15,914,000
Total Operating Expenses	<u>764,545,860</u>	<u>640,093,820</u>
Net Operating Income	129,250,468	129,860,611
Other Income and Deductions		
Interest and Dividend Income	3,321,861	1,625,643
Other Income and Deductions	4,754,531	(16,417,919)
AFUDC - Equity	29,544	49,063
Total Other Income and Deductions	<u>8,105,937</u>	<u>(14,743,213)</u>
Income Before Interest Charges	137,356,404	115,117,399
Interest Charges		
Interest on Long-Term Debt	37,100,001	37,363,417
Other Interest Charges	997,446	1,709,794
AFUDC - Borrowed Funds	(12,619)	(25,622)
Total Interest Charges	<u>38,084,828</u>	<u>39,047,589</u>
Net Income	99,271,576	76,069,810
Preferred Dividend Requirements	<u>2,256,002</u>	<u>2,256,010</u>
Net Income (Loss) Available for Common Stock	<u>97,015,574</u>	<u>73,813,799</u>

KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY
BALANCE SHEET
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ASSETS	<u>7/31/1999</u>
Utility Plant in Service	2,643,002,790
Less: Accumulated Provision for Depreciation	<u>1,254,176,554</u>
Net Utility Plant	1,388,826,235
Construction Work in Progress	<u>83,006,213</u>
Total Net Utility Plant	1,471,832,448
Nonutility Plant	4,464,795
Less: Accumulated Provision for Depreciation	<u>640,600</u>
Net Nonutility Plant	3,824,196
Investments in Subsidiary Companies	2,403,873
Other Investments	852,500
Special Funds	<u>7,864,381</u>
Total Net Investments and Funds	14,944,950
Current and Accrued Assets	
Cash	10,159
Special Deposits	194,313
Working Funds	121,644
Temporary Cash Investments	<u>32,043,684</u>
Total Cash	32,369,801
Customer Receivables	80,368,078
Miscellaneous Receivables	4,052,908
Less: Accum. Provision for Uncollectible Accounts	<u>520,000</u>
Net Customer and Miscellaneous Receivables	83,900,985
Receivables from Assoc. Companies	<u>31,090,157</u>
Net Receivables	114,991,142
Allowance Inventory	551,957
Fuel Stock	33,469,760
Materials and Supplies	20,869,107
Undistributed Stores Expense	<u>4,142,504</u>
Total Inventory	59,033,329
Prepayments	2,848,154
Interest and Dividends Receivables	19,182
Accrued Utility Revenues	33,957,000
Miscellaneous Current and Accrued Assets	2,493,876
Total Current Assets	245,712,484
Unamortized Debt Expense	4,993,677
Other Regulatory Assets	43,674,403
Preliminary Survey	598,485
Clearing Accounts	(103,938)
Job Work	(230,359)
Miscellaneous Deferred Debits	22,925,122
Research and Development Expenses	-
Unamortized Loss on Required Debt	8,044,822
Accum. Deferred Income Taxes	<u>77,001,709</u>
Total Deferred Debits	156,903,922
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	<u><u>1,889,393,804</u></u>

KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY
BALANCE SHEET
July 31, 1999

	<u>7/31/1999</u>
LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS	
Capitalization	
Common Stock	308,139,978
Capital Stock Expense	(594,394)
Retained Earnings	326,253,405
Unappropriated Undistributed Subsidiary Earnings	<u>1,108,073</u>
Total Common Equity	634,907,061
Preferred Stock	40,000,000
Bonds	<u>484,830,000</u>
Total Capitalization	1,159,737,061
Current and Accrued Liabilities	
Long-Term Debt Due in 1 Year	61,500,000
Notes Payable	-
Accounts Payable	96,452,471
Accounts Payable to Assoc. Companies	24,807,438
Customer Deposits	10,099,675
Taxes Accrued	27,685,869
Interest Accrued on Long-Term Debt	6,461,465
Other Interest Accrued	1,572,124
Dividends Declared	376,000
Tax Collections Payable	2,195,800
Miscellaneous Current and Accrued Liabilities	<u>23,705,544</u>
Total Current and Accrued Liabilities	254,856,387
Deferred Credits and Other	
Other Regulatory Liabilities	70,363,274
Customer Advances for Construction	1,167,612
Accum. Deferred Investment Tax Credit	21,147,903
Other Deferred Credits	6,223,350
Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes	321,971,841
Other Noncurrent Liabilities	<u>54,926,376</u>
Total Deferred Credits and Other	475,800,357
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS	<u><u>1,890,393,804</u></u>

KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY
STATEMENT OF RETAINED EARNINGS
July 31, 1999

	<u>For 12 months ended</u>	
	<u>7/31/1999</u>	<u>12/31/1998</u>
Balance at Beginning of Period	302,345,911	304,749,529
Add:		
Credits from Income	99,271,576	72,764,381
Deduct:		
Preferred Dividends	2,256,009	2,256,010
Common Dividends	72,000,000	76,090,510
Preferred Stock Redemption Expense	-	-
BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD	<u><u>327,361,478</u></u>	<u><u>299,167,390</u></u>